

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA**

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SPECIAL CELL FOR COMMONWEALTH GAMES

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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to form a Special Cell for Commonwealth Games, 2010;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any Coordination Committee between Government of National Capital Territory (NCT) and the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has been formed to take collective decisions on the Games;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any special recruitment drive will be launched for appointment of skilled staff for this Special Cell;
- (f) if so, whether any arrangement for training of the staff of Commonwealth Cell has been made;
- (g) if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EAST REGION (SHRI MANISHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b): Government have already approved the creation of an `International Sports Division` in the Ministry which inter alia is looking after the Commonwealth Games, 2010 also . This Division is headed by a Joint Secretary with requisite supporting officers & staff.

(c) & (d): Various institutional arrangements have been made to ensure proper planning and coordination in the preparation and organization of the Commonwealth Games, 2010. These include a Core Group of Ministers chaired by the Minister for Human Resource Development for coordinating and taking decisions regarding various aspects related to the organization of the Games, an Apex Committee in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports chaired by the Minister (Youth Affairs & Sports), a Committee of Secretaries headed by the Cabinet Secretary to monitor the implementation of the decisions of the Group of Ministers and other related matters, and an Organizing Committee for the conduct of the Games headed by the President, Indian Olympic Association. At the level of the Government of Delhi, the Lt. Governor would have overall responsibility regarding security, law & order and matters pertaining to DDA, and there is a Sub-Committee headed by the Chief Minister of Delhi for other matters falling within the jurisdiction of the State Government in terms of the planning and requirements of upgradation of civic infrastructure, etc. An Empowered Committee has been set up under the Chief Secretary, Government of NCT of Delhi with representatives of all the various concerned agencies/authorities to facilitate speedy and time bound clearances in respect of games related projects. Another Committee has been set up, with Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports as convenor, to deal with issues pertaining to clearances pertaining to Delhi Urban Arts Commission and other central agencies, as may be required.

(e) to (h): No, Sir. 12 posts have been sanctioned for this Division and the officers and staff will be drawn from the existing cadres.